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Spokaneville is making arrangements to organize a building and loan association.

The new postoffice law provides that when persons receive or take mail belonging to others from any postoffice, and do not correct the mistake, they are liable to a fine of \$500 or one year's imprisonment.

A shoemaker at Stamford, Conn., has occupied the same bench in the same shop for so many years that he has three times worn away the part of the floor where his feet had rested, and puts on a new half sole of leather over the hole every year.

An eminent physician says that when pneumonia attacks the steady, square drinker, who carries regularly his pint to a quart daily, the treatment comes under the domain of the undertaker, as the first case of recovery has yet to be recorded.

The county lines convention of southwestern Kansas met at Lakin on the 24th inst., and was very largely attended. Many prominent men were present from the interested territory, and universal harmony prevailed. It was agreed to ask to have all the old lines restored, thus harmonizing all differences, and presenting a united front. Every section was represented by an intelligent set of delegates, and strong resolutions were adopted setting forth the views and wishes of the convention.

The Fort Worth & Denver road will be the means of giving to Texas three northern outlets—one by connection with the Red Fork road, one by the Anthony branch of the Missouri Pacific, and the third by the Kiowa road, connecting with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe. The building from Wichita to Harold was a wise movement under any circumstances, but the further extension to Dodge is an absolute necessity to hold and increase the southern cattle trade and control the beef shipments of the Panhandle—Texas Live Stock Journal.

The journals which are continually crying that prohibition does not prohibit, show on which side their wishes lie, when they excitedly recount instances of the selling of liquor in prohibition States. "Pass a prohibition law," they say, "and it will be broken." But the same thing may be said of laws against murder, theft, etc. All that prohibitionists expect is to place liquor selling, which causes murders and a whole host of human ills, on the same level with the laws against manslaughter, or fire-raising, or poisoning wells.

The Emporia Republican pronounces as false the depositions taken in that city reflecting on the virtue of Mrs. Walkup. We believed that such was the case when we read the depositions. The Republican says: "The depositions of Ed. Gutkunst and Oscar White, taken before the clerk of the Lyon county district court, and now sealed up and on file in the clerk's office, which depositions were published in this paper on Sunday morning, were remarkable in their tenor, and if false, are a great and inexcusable outrage on the character of Mrs. Walkup. From all that we have heard, since those depositions were taken, we frankly say in our opinion they are false. At least we would advise, in justice to Mrs. Walkup, that public judgment be held in abeyance until the charges made in this report against her be more thoroughly sifted."

There are now 10,000 land entry cases tied up in the General Land Office as the result of Gen. Sparks' order of last spring suspending the issue of patents until he could satisfy himself as to the grounds for his suspicion that most of the entries are fraudulent. If Gen. Sparks should reverse his order and the routine of issuing patents should be resumed, the official force under the Recorder of the General Land Office could not catch up with their work for at least three years. This is the fine condition of things to which Gen. Sparks has brought his office. If he had not been confirmed at the extra session last spring, he would be most promptly rejected now that he has become so well known. It is impossible to calculate the distress to business interests which Sparks' course is occasioning. If there is no law to check the progress of the cranky Commissioner in his paralyzing career, Congress should lose no time in enacting one. It is said that the relations between the commissioner and Mr. Lamar have become so strained that the disgusted Secretary will soon consider the resignation of either himself or the Commissioner necessary to the health of the Interior Department.

The board designated by Commissioner Sparks to examine suspended entries have reported the first installment of cases examined by them upon ex parte proofs. In 216 final home-stead entries in Dakota and Nebraska showing residence for five years, the board recommended 126 for approval for patent, fifty-six are held for further evidence, two for rejection and thirty-five for investigation by special agents. One hundred and thirty-five pre-emption cases were examined in the Aberdeen, Dakota, district, of which one is recommended for patent, eight for redemption and twenty-six for special investigation.

## SATAN.

Rev. Talmage returned to Brooklyn and discoursed on the amusements of the winter season. He speaks of moral dangers of the winter night. He made the following pen picture of Satan: Poets and painters have represented Satan as horned and hooved. If I were a poet I should describe him with manners polished to the last perfection; hair flowing in graceful ringlets; eyes a little bloodshot, but floating in bewitching languor; hands soft and diamonded; step light and artistic; voice mellow as a flute; boots elegantly shaped; conversation facile, carefully toned and Frenchy; breath perfumed until it would seem that nothing had ever touched his lips save balm and myrrh. But his heart I would encase with the scales of a monster, then fill with pride, with beastliness of desire, with recklessness, with hypocrisy, with death. Then I would have him touched with some rod of disenchantment until his two eyes would become the cold orbs of the adder, and on his lips would come the foam of raging intoxication, and to his feet the spring of the panther, and his soft hand would become the clammy hand of a wasted skeleton; while suddenly from his heart would burst in crackling and all-devouring fury the unquenchable flame, and in the affected lip of his tongue, would come the hiss of the worm that never dies. But, until disenchanting, nothing but myrrh and balm and ringlet and diamond and flute-like voice and conversation aromatic, facile and Frenchy.

Rev. Chas. B. Mitchell, of Leavenworth, is delivering some strong temperance sermons in Leavenworth. We make the following extracts: "I appeal to you as intelligent men, law-abiding citizens, lovers of home, and protectors of the weak and helpless, what do you intend to do? There was a time when you could have said that you were powerless—that these saloons were entrenched behind the law, and that they could not be touched. But the glad day has come when not only God and outraged humanity, but the strong arm of the law has come to our defense, and if we do our part toward upholding him whose business is to enforce the law, we may soon see the last saloon in the city closed, and join in a jubilee in which the very angels of God would shout for joy. I care not what your politics may be. I care not whether you are a prohibitionist or not. That is not the question. But the question I put is this: Are you willing that the white aproned, diamonded-studded lackeys in this city shall, in defiance of law and decency, whip you into subservience, or are you willing that the moral, intellectual, and financial element shall dictate our municipal policy, and control our city government in harmony with the constitution of the state, and in the interests of the home as against the saloons."

"The crisis is upon us! Face to face with us it stands. With solemn line of questioning, like the Sphinx in Egyptian sand; This day we fashion destiny, the web of life we spin. This day for all hereafter; choose we holiness or sin. Even now from misty Gormor, or Ebal's cloudy crown, Call we the dew of blessings, or the bolts of cursing down."

## A Tax Not a License.

Senator Ingalls, in a letter published in the Topeka Capital insists that the United States in taxing liquor sellers does not license them. He says: "Neither Carpenter nor Acres, therefore, nor any collector of internal revenue ever issued any permit on the part of the United States to any person to sell liquors in Kansas or elsewhere. No dramseller is protected against the penalties prescribed by any state law, or municipal ordinance, by reason of holding receipt for taxes paid to the United States, and the attorney who should plead as a defense to an indictment or information under the Kansas prohibitory statutes, that his clients had paid an excise tax to Nelson Acres as internal revenue collector would be regarded as a better practitioner at the bar of the defendant than at the bar of the court."

Joy was apparent on the faces of the employees of the attorney general's office over a telegram received from a gentleman in Leavenworth stating that Judge Crozier had granted the temporary injunction prayed for by Attorney General Bradford against Hansen and Baum for selling liquor in opposition to the prohibitory law. This was the case in which evidence was introduced showing that the above parties had willfully violated the law and that they ought to be restrained from continuing their violations. The same evidence will be introduced in the prayer for a perpetual injunction. General Bradford telephoned this office from Ottawa and seemed very much delighted at the victory won.—Topeka Capital.

George Buxie, who lives some two miles east of town, the other day killed one two-year-old and one two-year-old hogs the combined weight of which were 1,126 pounds. The two-year-old alone weighed 535 pounds.—Spokaneville Blade.

The Spokaneville Blade inquires, "Where in Ford county is 'Whallow' township? Judge Burns now presides there in the capacity of a notary public."

## FORD CITY.

—Miss Ryan and Mr. Harlow were in town Sunday.

—Mr. Charles Herzer has just returned from Kinsey.

—Blank & Son are now building their new car-penter shop.

—Ford will soon have a first-class wagon shop.

—Mr. Neilsen Fawley, from Missouri, lately arrived.

—Dr. Hubbard's practice is constantly growing.

—The Dr. understands his business.

—Mr. and Mrs. Snook have been spending the past week on their farm.

—Mr. James Padgett ate the greatest number of suppers, at the organ benefit, of any person present.

—Mr. Campbell's new house has lately had a coat of paint and now adds a little to the beauty of Ford.

—Mr. Isaac P. Melvin made proof on Monday, and will now reside in Ford, with his friend, Mr. Anderson.

—Not too much praise can be said of the Danford Bros. for the tasty manner in which they have fired up their stable.

—Andrew Russell has lately improved his farm by fence and barns.

—Ford has been a busy place during the past week. Dances, law suits, parties and supper have been the rage.

—Miss Lullie has returned from Missouri, where she has been visiting some weeks.

—While Miss Louise Herzer was hurrying home the other day, she came in contact with Mr. Angus wire fence, and came near using strong language.

—The school closed last Wednesday, for the holidays, and will open the Monday after New Year's.

—Mr. Hightell, of Ford, has been called to Illinois for a few weeks. He returned to us looking well on Saturday evening.

—Should you wish to subscribe for the TIMES, you can do so by making arrangements at the postoffice.

—Ford has got the jolliest lot of young people of any town in southwestern Kansas, and they propose to keep the fun going. "Oh, come one along the band."

—Ford certainly speaks for itself. Roll reports, and fabulous statement, spoken and printed, have no effect in overthrowing the fact that its success is certain.

—Last Sunday, Sunday school was a failure, owing to the destruction by the wind of the stove pipe, but hereafter every precaution will be taken to have everything in readiness.

—A meeting was held Sunday, after preaching, and measures were taken to secure Mr. Corrier as preacher for Ford and its community. Mr. C. is well liked and has given perfect satisfaction.

—A card party took place at the hotel Christmas night under the supervision of Dr. and Mrs. Hubbard. A general good time was experienced, and everybody was present.

—Christmas was a gay day in Ford, children blowing whistles, young ladies eating candy, and the young men buying pop corn balls. One would hardly think that Ford was out on the frontier of southwestern Kansas.

—Last Tuesday evening a dancing party was held in the town hall, at which the country generally turned out. There was universal satisfaction with the music and general management of the ball, and everybody had a good time.

—The school closed last Wednesday evening, after a long visit at Anthony. Mr. Smith hardly knew Ford when he drew within sight of the city, owing to its growth.

—The wind of last Saturday did quite a good deal of damage by way of blowing down roofs from red shingles, and turning over small shingles. However, no heavy losses are known.

—A supper was given at the town hall last Wednesday evening by the ladies of Ford and community, for the purpose of raising funds for an organ, to be used in the Sunday school. The evening was fine, and a large crowd turned out. The supper consisted of oysters, all kinds of meats, bread and butter, coffee, cakes of all kinds and confections, and in fact, everything that could be considered good to eat, was found on the table. The evening passed off nicely, winding up with the buying of a Sod Shanty Cake, made by Mrs. James Pendleton, at auction, and presented to Miss Louise Herzer, daughter of Chas. Herzer, as the prettiest girl in the room. The proceeds amounted to \$60.00; expenses \$50.00, leaving a fund of \$10.00 for the organ. This is very well, and the ladies should feel well repaid for their service. Special mention must be made of Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Hubbard and Mrs. Mock for the manner in which they worked for the cause.

## TREES.

Morris Collar is the man you want to see about trees. His trees are grown here, and will grow; you know what you are getting when you buy of him. He has also some fine residence lots for sale.

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A. F. & A. M.—St. Bernard Lodge 222 meets in Masonic Hall, on 2d St. and Chestnut street, Second and Fourth Fridays of each month, at 7:30 p. m. All returning brethren are cordially invited. C. W. WILKETT, W. M. J. C. BAIRD, Secretary.

K. of P.—APOLLO LODGE, 62, holds its regular convention every Thursday, at 7:30 p. m. corner First and Chestnut street. All visiting brothers are cordially invited. A. FAIRBANK, C. C. W. N. HARPER, K. of R. S.

I. O. O. F.—CORONA LODGE 137 meets at Masonic Hall corner 2d and Chestnut street, Wednesday of each week at 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all visiting brothers. C. M. BEESON, N. G. C. W. WILKETT, Sec'y.

LEWIS POST, G. A. R.—Meets in Masonic Hall, corner of Third and Chestnut street, Dodge City, Kas., every Saturday at 7:30 p. m. All members in good standing are cordially requested to attend. A. DIENST, Commander. J. L. SLAVEN, Adjutant.

A. O. U. W.—PROTECTION LODGE, No. 172, meets every Monday night, at 8 o'clock, at Masonic Hall, Dodge City, Kas. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us when in the city. J. T. METCALF, M. W. E. D. SWAN, Recorder.

S. K. of A. O. U. W., Dodge City Legion No. 53 meets at Masonic Hall the First and Third Monday's of each month at 7 o'clock p. m. Comrades visiting in the city are cordially invited to meet with us. J. J. SUMMERSETT, S. C. E. D. SWAN, Recorder.

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The reports daily received at Mobeetie, says the Panhandle, from travelers who have traversed those parts of the Panhandle lately devastated by prairie fires are of such a nature as fills the hearts of those who have feelings for the dumb brute with pity and horror. It is quite common to see cattle that have been overtaken by the fires wandering around with strips of baked flesh hanging in strips from their bodies, and their eyesight destroyed. Some that were weak or that were caught in places where there were no avenues of escape, were killed outright.

F. C. Overman, who has a claim somewhere south of Spokaneville, says the Blade of the 25th inst., was brought in from the Saw Log where he had found his way, by Mr. Waters last Sunday and turned over to Constable Hickey. It seems that his mind has become unbalanced and has lately been committing numerous acts not in keeping with a sane person. Among other things he came near killing two boys, one son of Mr. Hamilton aged 14, and a son of Mr. Waters. The first was at Hinkley's stable a day or so before. He had the boy down with his foot on his throat and doubtless would have finished him had not the boys cries brought help. In the other case we did not learn the particulars. He has since been adjudged insane and sent to the asylum. Another insane man was brought in from Hodgeman county a few days ago to be taken to the asylum.

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The New Year seems to us all to hold the possibility of every desired good, and every people civilized enough to mark the year, have celebrated the beginning of it by rejoicings and attempts to propitiate the good-will of their duties, both good and evil.

Our fashion of making visits on New Year's Day we have directly from the hearty, hospitable Dutch who settled in New York, but the customs did not originate with them. Chinese gentlemen make New Year's calls, and no doubt the custom comes to us from the east.

A very large amount of game has been killed so far this season, and hunters report that there are more deer and antelope than have been known for many years.—Mobeetie Panhandle.

A wise man says: "Never judge a woman by the clothes she wears, for you may get most awfully fooled."

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